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Provincial Items.

CANADA.

We have Montreal and Toronto dates to June 23, and from St. John, N. B., to June 22:

Canada is in all the throes of a general election. The Legislature was dissolved June 14, and the writs were returnable on July 15. The struggle for supremacy lies between the Clear Grits or Liberals, and the Conservatives or Government party. The Liberal organs are crammed with the delinquencies perpetrated by the Administration during the last four years; whilst the Conservative press is doing its utmost to repel attacks as well as make them. Sir Henry Smith, Ex-Speaker of the lower House, though a Conservative, denounces the Administration as unprincipled, and comes out in favor of the great cry of the Opposition: "Representation on the basis of population." The returns of the last census show that Upper Canada has an excess of population over Lower Canada of at least 235,000. Hitherto the Conservatives have been in the habit of denying the numerical superiority of Upper Canada, but as soon as the census demonstrated the fact beyond doubt, the Government press chafed in support of representation by population. The returns so far do not show which party will be in the ascendant. We observe that Thomas D'Ave McGee has been returned for the Western district of Montreal, by acclamation. Mr. Cartier, Prime Minister, stands for the Eastern district, opposite to Mr. Dorion, leader of the Lower Canada opposition. Hon. Mr. Rose contests the Central district with Mr. Holmes, leader of the Central Bank. The Hon. Geo. Brown, leader of the Upper Canada opposition, stands for the East district of Toronto, and is opposed by Mr. Crawford.

The Hon. Mr. Rose, Commissioner of Public Works had resigned. Mr. Cauchon was appointed to his place and also member of the Executive Council.

The Toronto Leader says that the loss of the Canadian proves that the route via the Straits of Bella Isle is too dangerous for navigation except two months in the year.

Prince Alfred, after being lionized in the Lower Provinces, is now meeting with similar demonstrations of respect throughout Upper and Lower Canada.

The prospects of next harvest were not very flattering at last dates.

The sawmill of Mr. Oldfield, at Deersville was burned June 13th. Loss, \$30,000. Insurance, \$6,000.

Dr. Lewis, of Kingston, has been elected first Bishop of the Kingston diocese.

Dr. E. Ryerson of Toronto, proposes to write a "History of the British United Empire Loyalists of America."

The officials of the Canadian Grand Trunk Railway have, with one exception, resigned.

The Quebec Chronicle gives the mortality of population in Upper and Lower Canada at 391,494, the respective numbers being, Upper Canada, 1,394,013; Lower Canada, 1,092,516; total, 2,486,532.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The Province was engaged in a general election. The Government or Liberal party were generally successful. W. not and G. y. leaders of the conservatives were both defeated, for St. John's, by the Hon. S. Tilley, Provincial Secretary, and the Hon. Charles Watters. The Globe is afraid that there will not be enough Tories returned to make a decent opposition.

NOVA SCOTIA.

EXPLOSION AT THE ALBION MINES, PICTOU.—We take the following from the Halifax Reporter:

A correspondent at New Glasgow telegraphs us that about eleven o'clock last night an explosion occurred in the old Pits at the Albion Mines, Pictou.

Three men and seventeen horses were instantaneously killed by its violence.

One man is also stated to be excessively ill on account of the fire damp which met him whilst in the act of exploring a pit.

The extent of the damage that was done was not known this morning. The explosion was felt very severely in all the houses situated on the mines, and caused great consternation.

A later despatch at the same place says: The exploring party has been ordered up from the mines, as they were afraid of another explosion. It is thought that some of the boards below are on fire.

Heavy volumes of coal smoke are rising from the pits.

The city of Halifax advertises for a loan of \$221,000 to purchase the water-works.

The city of Halifax must be a peaceable city indeed. There are only twelve policemen to watch thirty thousand people, a traverse of sixty miles of streets and only six on duty during the day and two at night.

The receiving Ship Pramius, which has been anchored off the Naval Yard for the last twenty-five years, was towed down the harbor by the Nimble on Saturday afternoon, and anchored off Megaher's Be-eh Light House, so that every merchant vessel quiting the harbor, whether British or foreign, may be thoroughly searched for deserters. Should any persons be detected in secret harbors or lurking places, he will be summarily dealt with, as may be seen by referring to our advertising columns.—Halifax Chronicle.

We see by the Nova Scotia Gazette that the receipts of the Halifax Railway for the month of May amount to \$10,670.93 being \$1436.18 over the corresponding month of last year.

The Palmetto flag has been hoisted on board a schooner in St. John Harbor. It caused great excitement among Americans.

compliment to the officers and men constituting the corps. In course of his address the Major alluded to the Halifax Volunteers and said:

"In Halifax the Companies are very efficient; they have given much of their time and money, in order to perfect themselves. They have had an advantage which you have not. They have been drilled with the Garrison, which contains in that place all branches of the service, and consequently their chances of perfecting themselves in it have been superior. Some of them during the last season, I provided with tents, and they attended at the Parade every evening and practise firing at the targets—t night they camp in the tents, in military style, with their guards and sentries,—at early morning they continued their target firing, till it was time to attend to their daily duties, while they were attending to them they left a guard over their tents, till they return in the evening."

A number of fishermen have within the last few days been fined by the police magistrate for fishing in St. John Harbor on Sunday.

War Items.

A spectator of the battle at Bull's Run says that the Zouaves literally decimated the Black Horse Cavalry, the celebrated rebel troop. About the middle of the battle, the Zouaves fired by platoons upon the rebel infantry stationed in the woods. After they had fired, they discovered a troop of horse coming down on their rear. They carried the American flag, which deceived Col. Heintzelman, and made him believe they were United States Cavalry, and he so told the Zouaves. As they came nearer their true character was discovered, but too late for all the Zouaves to reload. The regiment faced and received the cavalry as they came down, with leveled bayonets, which threw them into confusion. Then away went muskets, and the Zouaves went in with their knives and pistols. They seized horses and stabbed their riders. In this hand-to-hand conflict, the Black Horse troops were handled in their own profession of fighting. The sequel I showed the Zouaves to be the most expert handlers of the knife. When the fight was over, there were not twenty of the four hundred cavalry left alive. Men and horses had been cut to pieces by the infuriated red-shirts. This troop of cavalry had boasted they would picket their horses in the grounds of the White House.

The Alexandria correspondent of the New York World of July 8th says: Thomas Curry, one of the New York Fire Zouaves, was assassinated in front of a row of notorious houses of evil reputation, on Maine Avenue, near Four-and-a-half street. No possible clue to the perpetrator has yet been discovered. This afternoon, at 3 o'clock, several Zouaves and others went to the houses, and entering them, broke up and destroyed the furniture, drove the inmates forth, set the houses on fire, and by their conduct prevented the fire companies from extinguishing the flames. The houses, in consequence were entirely consumed with their contents. Great excitement prevailed, and the Provost Marshal's force had to interfere to restore order and quietness. Several arrests were made.

The Journal des Debats, of June 29th, after reproducing from an English journal some details relative to the Confederate States of America, pronounces energetically against those States:

"We strongly recommend these extracts to the attention of our readers, especially as the Southern Confederacy appears disposed to redouble its efforts to obtain the recognition of Europe; and we leave them to decide if the prompt recognition of such a State, or even the expression of the least sympathy for it, would be worthy of a Christian or simply of a civilized nation. For our part we are convinced that such an act, though perhaps in conformity with international law, but which might be regarded as support involuntarily to the cause of the South, would find decided adversaries in the ranks of all the liberal press."

Gen. Scott is reported, upon excellent authority, to have said to the President that he had acted like a coward for the first time in his life, in yielding to the urgency of the public, the press, and members of Congress, and advancing upon Manassas before he was ready. Yet, probably every Congressman—and there were many—who was in Gen. McDowell's camp, was opposed to the contemplated attack, and they would have preferred the plan favored by some subordinate officers, to send for reinforcements of infantry and artillery, and ditch the rebels out of the woods before moving the infantry.

Some few ships in Liverpool flouted the rebel bunting on the Fourth. The English Government had dispatched over six hundred tons of war stores from Woolwich to Quebec. Our London correspondent states that there was no attention now paid to the rebel commissioner in England, and that the people at large dread the idea of a war with the United States. He asserts that Mr. Yancey has as much chance of negotiating the rebel loan in that country as he would have of selling a mortgage on an uncaught whale in the Arctic Ocean.—N. Y. Herald.

Gen. Garret was shot by a Sergeant of the Seventh Indiana Regiment, named Burlingame, at a distance of about two hundred yards. Only one man, says the Wheeling Intelligencer, was near the General at the time, a headless young man from Georgia, the troops having refused to rally. The Georgian was also killed at the same instant, and his companion falling in different directions, feet to feet.

There is no longer, says the Louisville (Ky.) Journal, the least danger that the Confederate troops will shake in their shoes, for the poor fellows have no shoes to shake in.

COMING OUT THE SAME HOLE.—At a protracted meeting, a hymn was given out which contained the words—

"There is no sorrow there."

At the close of the hymn, a brother stood up and shouted in a voice of thunder,

"Yes, brethren, there's no sorrow in Heaven!"

And why not? Because, in the words of this beautiful hymn, there's no sorrow there."

This brilliant deduction brought out a bystander, who observed,

"That's what I call coming out of the same hole you went in at!"

BLUSHING INTO WOMANHOOD.—There is a touching beauty in the radiant look of a girl just crossing the limits of youth, and commencing her journey through the checkered space of womanhood. It is all dew-sparkle and morning glory to her ardent, buoyant spirit, as she presses forward exulting in blue-eyed anticipation. But the withering heat of the conflict of life creeps on, and the dewdrops exude; the garlands of hope shatter and dead, as ew the path; and too often ere she is aware the brow and sweet smile are exchanged for the weary look of one longing for the evening rest, the twilight of the night.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT.—Read a d. Stomach—A disordered stomach, sooner or later, produces headache, and all those painful, languid, disagreeable feelings, too well known to the dyspeptic. The relief afforded in such cases by Holloway's Pills is extraordinary; the most confirmed indigestion is easily remedied by friction externally with the Ointment over the affected organs and the internal use of the Pills. These preparations may be used at all times, in all climates, by persons affected with biliousness, nausea, or disordered liver; for flatulence and heartburn are specific. Indeed no ailment of the digestive organs can ever long resist their purifying and corrective powers, which are frequently acknowledged and fully appreciated in every part of the civilized world.

CHAS. F. ROBBINS, IMPORTER AND DEALER IN TYPE Presses, Printing Material, Inks, Card stock, &c. Nos. 111 and 113 Clay street San Francisco. 1861/17

PUBLIC NOTICES.



TENDERS

FOR THE UNDERTAKING OF
Works will be received at the Office of Lands and Works, New Westminster, British Columbia:

I.
Construction of a Wagon Road, eighteen feet wide, on the Second Portage Harrison-Lillooet Road, commencing where the twelve-foot-wide road terminates, about eight miles more or less from Pemberton. It is to include, beyond that point, the unfinished portion of the recent contract and is to terminate on Lake Abertoe.
The payment to be half in cash and half in British Columbia Government Bonds, bearing interest of six per cent per annum.
One half of the bonds to be redeemed on the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and the other half on the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-three.
Road to be completed by the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.
Tenders for the above will be received until the twenty-eighth day of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

II.
Construction of a Wagon-Road from Boston Bar to Lytton, eighteen feet wide.
1. If the payment be made all in cash.
2. If the payment be made all in British Columbia Government Bonds, bearing interest of six per cent per annum, one-third redeemed on the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-two; one-third on the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-three; and the remainder on the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-four.
Road to be completed by the thirty-first day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

III.
Same Road, if constructed twelve feet wide with by-passes:
1. If payment be all in cash.
2. If payment be made all in British Columbia Government Bonds, same conditions as above.
Road to be completed by the thirty-first day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.
Tenders for numbers II and III will be received until the fifth day of September, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

In each of the above works security of One Thousand pounds will be required, and one-fifth of the payment will be retained for four months after completion of work for repairs, etc.
The lowest tender, nor any, not necessarily accepted.
All the tenders to have fully and legibly written on the outside of the envelope the work for which it is a tender.
For further particulars inquire at the Office of Lands and Works, New Westminster, British Columbia.



PUBLIC NOTICE.

CHEMANIS REGISTER.

THE REGISTER OF ORIGINAL SETTLERS IN CHEMANIS, as closed on the 8th day of July last, pursuant to notice.
The persons whose names appear in such Register have made out their claim to the lots set opposite to their names.
The lots mentioned in such Register are those so numbered on the official map.

Register of original settlers in Chemanis, whose title has been established pursuant to notice.

Name	Range	Lot
George Watson	VI	5
William Robertson	VII	6
James Mars	VII	8
Robert Watson	VII	7
William Alexander	VII	8
Thomas Cunningham	VII	7
	VIII	8

I hereby certify that the persons above mentioned have shown a prima facie title to the lots set opposite their respective names.
(Signed) GEORGE HUNTER CARY, Attorney-General.

All the remaining lots in Chemanis (other than those pre-empted since the 8th day of July last) are now open to pre-emption under the conditions of the Pre-emption Proclamation.
J. D. PEMBERTON, Surveyor-General, 2021
LAND OFFICE, July 30, 1861.

Vancover Island.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, 4th July, 1861.

The following important notice to Mariners, communicated to this Government by the Naval Commander-in-Chief, is hereby published for general information.
By command of His Excellency the Governor, WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

A rock has been recently discovered in Houston channel, by H. M. gunboat Grampus. It lies about a quarter of a mile from the N. W. side of Admiralty Island—is about a cable's length in extent, and early uncovers at very low tides. From the south end of the rock, Point Southley the north point of Admiralty Island bears N. N. E. 4 E. White Spit (N. W. point of Rupert) bears N. W.

Rear Admiral and Commander-in-Chief, H. M. S. Bacchante, Esquimaux, 1st July, 1861.

Real Estate Tax Act, 1860.

THE ASSESSMENT ROLL AS FINALLY passed by the Court of Revision, having been this day published, all persons indebted thereunder are hereby notified that the amount of the liability must be paid into the Treasury within thirty days of the date. The Victoria street tax must also be paid within the same period.
G. T. GORDON, Treasurer.

TREASURY, August 9, 1861.

Copies of the Assessment Roll can be obtained at Messrs. Hibben & Carswell's Library. au 0

COLONIAL BAKERY,

Government Street.

P. ODWYER, DEALER IN OREGON Produce, has constantly on hand Flour, Bacon, Ham, Fresh Butter, Eggs, Lard, and Apples, per arrival of every steamer.
Orders for Bread, Cakes, Pies, &c., punctually attended to.
au 3.1m

To Quar ymen and Others.

SEALED TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED at the office of the undersigned until 4 o'clock, P.M. on Saturday, 31st inst. for the grading of a building lot 60x90 feet on Wharf street. Tenders to state at per cubic yard for earth and stone, surveyor's measurement. The contractor to be responsible for all accidents, and complete the work within a specified time.
au 15

M. PRAG.

Yates street, offers for sale, cheap, HARDWARE, Agricultural Implements, Bar Iron, Steel & Iron-Mongery, STOVE & TINWARE of every description.
Glass and Crockery Ware, Wood and Willow Ware &c. &c. au 5

FOR SALE—TO LET.

Fireproof Store to Let!
THE STORE NOW OCCUPIED BY JAMES BELL, next to Langley Bros., Yates street. Apply to LANGLEY BROS.

FOR SALE.
ONE HUNDRED ACRES IMPROVED Farming Land in Victoria District. Apply to CHARLES WEHUS, Cooper, Humboldt t. bet. Government and Douglas, au 19 2m

TO LET.
IN ESQUIMALTOWN, FOR A TERM of years, at a low rental, the building 80x100 ft. 30 feet deep and known as the Esquimalt House. There is a good wharf at the back with deep water enough to bring large vessels alongside, and well adapted for carrying on a storage, commercial or manufacturing business. Apply on the premises, or to WM. ROTHWELL, Esquimalt Road. au 11m

For Rent or Sale.
A FARM, CONTAINING ONE HUNDRED and five acres of land, nearly one half under cultivation, about two miles from this town with or without the stock. For particulars apply to "M." at this office au 9

House and Lot For Sale Cheap.
THAT WELL-BUILT AND DESIRABLE, situated House and Lot situated on Collins street, near the Catholic Church. The Lot is 30x125 feet, and the House is hard-finished throughout and very desirable for a small family. The Furniture will be sold with it if desired, as the owners are about leaving the Colony. Apply on the premises au 12 1w

TO LOAN.
\$2500 TO LOAN FOR ONE, THREE, Five or ten years, on good security. Apply to W. CULVERWELL, Office cor. Langley and Yates street.

FOR RENT.
THAT BUILDING ON BROAD STREET, known as Assembly Hall, nine rooms and the large hall above, in totality or in part. Apply to DR. CLERJON, In the yard opposite Washington Restaurant. au 16 1w

"OLD BONES."
This well-known Horse is now for sale, Apply to WM. CULVERWELL, Langley street. au 16 1w

Blankets! Blankets!! Blankets!!!

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE RECEIVED by late arrivals, and offer for sale, the following assortment:
BALES 24-point WHITE BLANKETS
do do BLUE do
do do SCARLET do
do 3-point WHITE do
do 3-point BLUE do
do 3-point SCARLET do
JANION & GREEN au 19 1m

CLOTHING! CLOTHING!!

PILOT COATS, assorted qualities
TWEED SUITS, as do DOE SUITS
ASSORTED CLOTHING
Cases CORDUROY TROUSERS
Cases M-LESKIN do
Just received and for sale by the undersigned.
JANION & GREEN au 19 1m

Blankets, Blankets, Blankets.

THE UNDERSIGNED, AGENTS FOR several of the Yorkshire manufacturers, are constantly receiving shipments of Blankets, especially in hufure, for the market, and have now a large stock of the same on hand, of Colors, Weights, Qualities and Sizes, Which they offer for sale.
JANION & GREEN au 19 6m

PHILAN'S

BILLIARD SALOON.

THE ABOVE BILLIARD SALOON, on the FIRST CLASS PHILAN TABLES, is now open to the public. The Cushions on these Tables are the latest patent, and are a great improvement on their predecessors. The ROOM is fitted up so as to combine ELEGANCE with COMFORT. The BAR will be kept constantly supplied with the very choicest brands of

Wines, Liquors and Segars,

and the subscribers hope, by strict attention, to merit the patronage of all who admire and practice the GAME OF BILLIARDS.
DAN LYNCH, M. E. HUGHES, 720 and 722 Montgomery st., Opposite the New Metropolitan Theatre, San Francisco.

The subscriber begs to inform the public that the above mentioned BILLIARD SALOON is also intended to serve as a show and salesroom for

Philan's Patent Combination Cushions and Modern Billiard Tables.

and Billiard Trimmings of every description. Parties desirous of purchasing Billiard Tables will thus have an opportunity of selecting from a varied assortment, both in style and finish, and can also test the superiority claimed for the Cushions and Tables. Mr. DAN LYNCH will always be on hand, and ready to furnish all required information with regard to the merits of these justly celebrated Billiard Tables. The subscriber cordially invites all interested parties to call and examine.
M. E. HUGHES, San Francisco.

Agent for Philan's Patent Combination Cushions and Modern Billiard Tables au 9 3m

Quicksilver, Quicksilver.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING BEEN appointed Agents for the new Idaho Quicksilver Mine, California, offer for sale Quicksilver of the best quality from the above named mine in quantities to suit, at San Francisco MARKET RATES.

J. J. SOUTHWELL & CO., Wharf street. au 2m

FOR SALE.

TENNENT'S GLASGOW DRAUGHT Ale, in blads and barrels.
Tennent's Glasgow Bottled Pale Ale, in gals.
do do do Imperial do do
Oregon Cider, in barrels and casks.
For sale in lots to suit.
J. J. SOUTHWELL & CO., Wharf street. au 25 1m

FOR SALE.

To Arrive per "Isle of France,"

DIRECT TO NEW WESTMINSTER, 000 BAGS HARLEY.

WILLIAM H. WOODCOCK, New Westminster, July 1st, 1861. au 2

Removal.

UNTIL MY NEW STORE IS FINISHED on the corner of Fort and Langley streets I have removed my place of business from Yates street to the Hudson Bay Company's Building in the old Fort Yard.
JAMES BELL au 7 1m

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

I HAVE APPOINTED MR. ALFRED Waddington to act as my Attorney during my temporary absence from Victoria
C. VERYDEN, July 6
Victoria July 16, 1861.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY GIVE notice that the firm of Salmon and Loewen has been dissolved this day, by mutual consent.
JOSEPH L. WEN, EUGENE SCHAEFFER, au 6 1m
Victoria, Aug. 3, 1861.

Co-Partnership Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the partnership between A. W. PATTERSON and THOS. BURNES, carrying on business on Government street, at the establishment known as the Loewen, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due the late firm will be received by A. W. Patterson, and all claims against the said partnership must be presented to him for payment.
A. W. PATTERSON, THOS. BURNES.
Victoria, August 3, 1861.

A. W. PATTERSON respect ally informs his friends and the public that he will continue business at the old stand, THE LYCUM au 7

NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE of CHARLES HENNE, late resident of Victoria, the steamer Caribon, must be duly attested, and lodged with Mr. J. mes Lower, at his office in Edwards's brick building, Yates street, within sixty days from date hereof; and all those who are indebted to the Estate are requested to pay the same to him.
WILLIAM IRVING, Executor, au 6 2m
Victoria, 5th August, 1861.

NOTICE.

PERSONS WHO SOLD PROPERTY in 1858, will render an important service to his widow, by furnishing her with information in relation thereto.
Address, Mrs. C. BENNETT, care of C. E. Buckingham 55 Commercial street San Francisco, Cal. au 17 1m

Wanted Immediately.

LABORERS TO WORK ON THE ESQUIMALT ROAD. Apply at Mr. Green's Office, on Government street, to JOSEPH W. TRUTH au 12 2t

\$100 REWARD.

A REWARD OF \$100 WILL BE PAID for the recovery of the body of the late Captain Archibald Jamieson, of the steamer Caribon. au 5 1t WM. LIVING.

REMOVAL.

G. SANDER has removed his Fruit, Cigar and Tobacco Store, to GOVERNMENT STREET, corner Prounce Alley. au 2 1m

CURLING'S

SPARKLING

EFFERVESCENT

CITRATE

MAGNESIA!

Another supply of the above favorite Medicine

JUST RECEIVED

BY

LANGLEY BROS.

au 5 1m

EX "MARCELIA" FROM LONDON

Now Landing, and for sale by the Undersigned: PORTER IN BOTTLE—15 cases or Taylor, Walker & Co.'s celebrated Porter, bottled at the Victoria Stores.

PALE ALE IN BOTTLE—10 cases, each 4 dozen

PALE ALE IN HIDS.

OILMEN'S STORES, Viz.: Pickles, Sardines, Oatmeal, Curry Powder, Anchovies, Mustard, Jams, Salad Oil, Dried Herbs, spices.

TIN PLATES—Assorted qualities and sizes. \$10 boxes.

SHEET IRON—Assorted sizes and qualities.

BANCA TIN IN SCABS—And Sheet Zinc.

GALVANIZED SHEET IRON—Assorted sizes.

SOLDER BRASS WIRE.

COPPER SHEATHING & BRAZIER'S COPPER.

RALES BLANKETS.

THE BRITISH COLONIST

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Gratuitous.

Notices of Deaths Service and Advertisements of Marriages or Deaths inserted GRATUITOUSLY.

Thursday Morning, August 22, 1861.

Land Office.

Sometime ago a committee was moved for in the Assembly by Col. Foster to report on the facilities afforded immigrants in the Land Office to obtain land; and to report improvements on the present system if necessary. On Tuesday their report was submitted, and when the appropriations for the Surveyor General's department came up, a long and warm discussion occurred upon the condition of the department. The opinion obtained generally that the Land Office obstructed the settlement of the country; that when settlers wanted information they could not get it; and that the whole department was wretchedly mismanaged. The chairman of the committee on the state of the land Office stated that the Surveyor General was incapable of discharging his duties efficiently. Other members concurred in the declaration. Not a member uttered a word in defence, so damning were the facts elicited. If accounts are to be believed it has been a perfect Augean stable. It is due to the Surveyor-General to state that he charges the confusion and irregularities in the department to the Acting Surveyor-General, Mr. Pearce; and that much of it occurred during his absence. Whoever is to blame, the chairman of the committee declares the Surveyor General unfit to fill the position he occupies. Such being the case the public cannot but conclude that it is so; and naturally look for the appointment of a new Surveyor General.

What other course can be adopted, we fail to perceive. The Land Department is one of the most important in the country. Except it is put in the most efficient condition, it will be, as it has been, a perfect check to the settlement of the country. In the evidence, the scandalous disclosure appears that lands have been marked as sold, kept away from bona fide settlers, but afterwards given up. From this we are led to infer that those in charge of the department have been parties to speculation by holding for speculators the Crown lands till they found nothing could be made out of it; then they have given it up and been let off without paying for it. We cannot conceive how such unpardonable conduct can be passed over by the Assembly or the Governor with a thorough purification, or how a single officer who has been mixed up in such transactions can be left in the department.

If we refer to Chemanus, we find that out of 134 settlers who agreed to settle there, only four have done so! The Indians stopped them at first, and now Chemanus is in the hands of the Attorney General, yet no greater progress is made in the settlement of the district. No one perhaps can cite a similar instance where Government, through culpable negligence, has driven 130 settlers away. How can the country fill up or prosper when settlers receive such treatment! Again, take the case of Stenhouse; he was first refused a receipt in April last for a registration fee; then the offer to return it ten days afterward was made; and to conclude, the whole affair was turned over to the Attorney General to settle about his claim. It has long been intimated that some swindling transactions have been going on about Chemanus. But we scarcely believed that things had gone as far as they have. We have next Salt Spring Island. Here again the bargain made in 1859 with the settlers is violated. Lenker, one of the most industrious and enterprising settlers, is left out of the notice published by the Land Office. Why, is unexplained. The aliens who took up land and made improvements are to be shut out from the enjoyment of their claims by the pre-emption proclamation. The rights of the settlers are in confusion; and the agreement of the Surveyor General, with the sanction of the Governor, in 1859, is at variance with His Excellency's proclamation in 1861. Confidence cannot but be utterly destroyed where such things are allowed. But even the maps are altered. Did any one ever hear of such things before?

The Committee have done an excellent service to the country in bringing the delinquencies existing in the Land Department before the public. It remains now to follow up their disclosures till the Land Office is completely purged, and matters there put in a satisfactory condition.

The Moral of the Reinforcement.
From the London Times.

Half the North American Continent pertains to the British Crown, and the dependencies, so vast and so valuable, are in the hands of a powerful and aggressive Republic. The people of the United States have often availed themselves with talk about the appropriation of Canada, and have elevated

into a "doctrine" the theory that the whole continent is theirs by destiny, and that, though foreign claims may be allowed to die out, they must never receive any fresh confirmation or extension. Under these circumstances, it might be fancied that our border would be bristling with bayonets, and that a colony so healthy as well as so immense could absorb an army of itself. Very different is the truth of the case. The entire garrison of Canada might be packed in a couple of steamers. A good half of all the troops quartered in the province might be comfortably accommodated in the Wellington Barracks. There are some 2,000 in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, but every soldier were taken from every North American station and the whole force were paraded in a mass, it would barely exceed 5,000 men. One of these stations is Newfoundland. The last mails have informed us that even Newfoundland has its liabilities to political disturbances. Election riots have taken place there, and "the troops" have been called out, as in former days they used to be at home. What was the muster of the garrison in the hour of need we do not know but in March, 1859, it consisted, for all the districts of the island, of 100 foot soldiers and one gunner. How this artilleryman came to be so isolated, or what description of piece he was expected to manage, we cannot pretend to guess; but we have now to announce that, in consequence of events which have convulsed the American Republic and arrayed the millions of the North against the millions of the South, it has been determined to reinforce the garrison of Canada with a brigade of British Infantry. Of course, there is no calculation of forces in the matter. It has been thought that if all America should fly to arms, marauding parties might possibly, in the heat of national effervescence, swarm here and there over our border, and therefore the most exposed points of our lake frontiers will be provided by these means with a few companies of troops for their protection.

THE NEW REGIMENTS.—The Washington correspondent of the San Francisco Bulletin, chronicles an important proviso adopted in the Senate, in reference to the new regiments of the regular army. He says: The Senate has voted, at last, in favor of the proposed increase of the regular army some 22,000 men, in the new regiments called out by the President during the recess; but it declines to vote a still further increase by the enlargement of the old regiments. It has also adopted a proviso which substantially remains in the hands of the Government the power to disband the new regiments after the close of the present war; but it has not ordered such a disbandment. The object of the proviso is simply to give such notice to the officers who accept appointments in the new regiments, as will relieve the Government from any suspicion of injustice, if it should hereafter cut down the army again to its present establishment, and thus "legislate" said officers out of their commission.

Hume, the American "medium" who crazed half Paris, is exposed as a trickster. It seems that a shoe of very singular construction containing springs and other mechanical appliances, was found, after the medium's third visit in the room in the Tuileries in which he had shown off his wonders. Nobody about the palace knowing anything of this remarkable shoe the inference that it had served the "medium" in the production of his "phenomena," and had been inactive tantly left behind by him on his departure seemed unavoidable.

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Notice.
THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING of Victoria Lodge, 1085 F. and A. M., will be held in the Lodge THIS EVENING, at 8 o'clock. By order of the W. M. THOS. C. NUTTALL, Secretary. au22 1t

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

DAY BEACON.

FALSE DUNGENESS HARBOR, W. T.
ON THE SIXTH DAY OF AUGUST A Day Beacon will be exhibited for the first time on Ediz Hook, or Point Angeles, the eastern terminus of the long, low sand spit bounding False Dungeness Harbor, on the North. The Beacon will consist of an upright pole, supported by struts and armed between its top and centre with three sets of wings of different shapes, these latter determining its characteristic distinction, the surface of each being presented to a separate point of the compass: the color of the entire beacon will be white. It will be fifty feet in height, the platform upon which it is erected being only a few feet above the mean level of the sea. The Beacon should be visible, in a favorable state of the atmosphere, at a distance of eight nautical or nine and a half statute miles.

Latitude of Beacon " " " 48°08' Longitude " " " 123°25' Approximately in time " " " 8h 13'40"

The Light House at Race Rocks bears from Ediz Hook W. N. W. (magnetic), distant eleven nautical miles.

The Light House at New Dungeness, N. E. by E. (magnetic), distant eleven nautical miles. Victoria lies nearly due North (true) from Ediz Hook, and is distant about seventeen nautical miles.

Variation of Magnetic Needle " " " 2° 5' east.

Cape Flattery Light, Tatoosh Island, W. T.

The ens of this Light has been enlarged by an additional section, increasing the area of illumination, and exhibiting the light farther up the Straits of Juan de Fuca.

A Block House on the Island has also been removed.

By authority of the Light House Board, N. MICHLER, Engineer 12th L. H. District. au22

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF THE Supreme Court of Civil Justice, made on an ex parte petition in the matter of the Land Registry Act, 1860, notice is hereby given that certain Deeds, dated Victoria, the 24th day of June, 1858, and Victoria, the 24th day of July, 1858, and purporting to convey Lots of Land in Victoria Town, known as Lot 745, and known as Lot 1291 on the official map, from the Hudson Bay Company to the grantee therein named, have been lost or destroyed. And I further give notice that I will give or pay a Reward of Ten Dollars to any person or persons who will bring the said Deeds to me at my Office, or give such information as will lead to their recovery, on or before the 10th day of November, next ensuing.

G. F. DENNES, Solicitor for Petitioner. Victoria, 20th August, 1861. au21 1w

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

AUCTION.

THIS DAY,

Thursday, August 22d, 1861,

At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

To close Invoices,

LIQUORS:

Byass' Bottled Ale, in pints;

Charet, in casks of 2 doz each;

--- cases Cider, 1 doz each.

Groceries and Provisions:

100 bags White Beans;

Oregon Hams and Shoulders;

Good Corned Beef;

6 bbls Pecan Nuts;

Cases ass'd Groceries, Spices, &c.

Candles, Soap, Hams, Lard, Butter &c., &c.

TO-MORROW,

FRIDAY, August 23, 1861,

For account of Underwriters, damaged on voyage of importation from London,

Ex "Kaffir Chief:"

1 case, marked H. N., 7 pes Black Silks, 835 yards.

The above will be sold at 1 o'clock, P. M., at Salesroom

—ALSO—

One Superior Melodeon.

At 11 o'clock, A. M., I will sell all that well-kept

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Of the House on Pandora street, near Dr. Evans' Church,

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All of a Family leaving the Colony.

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By order of the Directors, J. J. CCHRANE, Secretary. Victoria, 12th August, 1861. au20 2w

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ON THE PREMISES,

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House of Assembly.

WEDNESDAY, August 21, 1861.

House met at three o'clock. Present—Speaker Helmsken, and Messrs. Cary, Franklin, Waddington, Foster, Crease, McDonald, Gordon.

LAND COMMITTEE'S REPORT.
Mr. Waddington moved that the report of the Land Committee be read. Adopted and the report was read.

FIREMEN'S PROTECTION BILL.
House in Committee on the Bill to extend the provisions of the Firemen's Protection Act, 1860, Mr. Waddington in the chair.

The chairman stated that the firemen were extremely anxious to frame laws for themselves, and he had understood that the House was in favor of granting them the privilege.

Mr. Cary said that a delegation from the Board of Delegates had waited upon him yesterday with a draft of what was required, from which he had drawn a number of sections which he proposed introducing to-day. He also stated that the delegation seemed greatly in favor of the Governor signing all by-laws passed by the fireman.

Mr. Crease asked what effect the passage of the bill giving the firemen power to pass by-laws would have on the corporation.

Mr. Waddington explained that the passage of the bill by the Legislature would remove the department entirely from the influence of local politics.

Mr. Franklin was in favor of the measure, but could not approve of altering the spirit of the bill in committee without first sending the amendments through first and second readings.

Mr. Burnaby believed the matter should not be postponed. The honorable member was entitled to offer amendments if he saw fit.

The Chairman said the committee had no right to change the title; but amendments might be introduced. The position of the department was an awkward one. The term of office of its leaders would soon expire, and unless the bill was passed now, it would be without officers.

Mr. Franklin was afraid the passage of the bill might conflict with the corporation.

A motion that the committee rise was made—lost, and the bill was proceeded with:

Sec. 1. The Fire Department shall be organized in manner following. Carried.

Sec. 2. The Department shall consist of existing companies and such other companies as may from time to time be admitted pursuant to by-laws regulating Department. Carried.

Sec. 3. The officers shall consist of a Chief and Assistant Engineers, President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Mr. Franklin would again call the attention of the House to the irregular manner in which these sections were introduced. They were not embodied in the original bill, and no one has had a chance to read them. The bill was actually smuggled into the House without the members being afforded an opportunity to peruse it.

The chairman remarked that the hon. member was out of order, the Committee having already decided to discuss the bill.

Section three was passed without further opposition, and the remaining sections went through with very little argument.

Sec. 4. The Board of Delegates shall consist of three persons from each company; the first delegates to be elected seven days after the passage of this Act.

Sec. 5. Each member of an admitted company shall have three votes—one for each delegate.

Sec. 6. The Board of Delegates shall have the power of framing by-laws for the regulation of the Fire Department, which after approval by the Governor in writing, shall become binding and conclusive on all members of the Department.

Sec. 7. The Board of Delegates shall annually elect a President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Sec. 8. The first election for President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall take place on the seventh day after the election of the delegates; subsequent elections to take place on a day in each year to be fixed by by-law.

Sec. 9. Until the election of a Chief and Assistant Engineer under this Act, the present Chief and Assistant Engineers shall continue to hold office.

Sec. 10. At the annual election for Chief and Assistant Engineers, each member of the department shall have one vote for each officer, and in case of an equality of votes the President shall have the casting vote.

Sec. 11. The President of the Department shall call said election by giving at least ten days notice in one of the local papers.

Sec. 12. The election shall be held under such regulations as may be contained in by-laws passed by the Board of Delegates.

Sec. 13. The election of the Chief and Assistant Engineer shall be subject to the approval of the Governor.

Secs. 14, 15, 16 and 17, provide for the immunity of members of the Department from prosecution in cases where property is destroyed at fires by order of officers.

This completed the bill.

At twenty minutes before 5 o'clock Mr. Crease moved and Mr. Cary seconded that the committee should rise and report progress.

The motion was lost, upon which Messrs. Cary, Crease and Burnaby left.

Mr. Waddington thought that he might report progress on Fireman's Protection Bill and sit on another.

Progress was then reported.

PAWNBROKER'S BILL.
House in committee on the Pawnbroker's Bill, Mr. Franklin in the chair.

Several sections of this bill were passed and the committee rose and reported progress.

House adjourned till to-day (Thursday) at three o'clock, p. m.

ORDER OF DAY.
House in committee on Supply.

Report on the State of the Land Office.

Inasmuch as some curiosity has been excited to learn what has been the cause of the charges made in the Assembly against the Surveyor General and the general management of the Land Department, we append the report of the Committee laid before the House, and the principal points in the evidence taken. The report is dated August 20, 1861, and commences by stating that the Surveyor General had been interrogated, and

1. That difficulties do exist in the Land Office in the way of affording immigrants information as to the Crown Lands.

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of certificate issued to purchasers by the Land Office.

G. F. POSTER, Chairman,
W. J. McDONALD,
ROBT. BURNABY,
ALFRED WADDINGTON.

ABSTRACT OF EVIDENCE.

We give the chief part of the evidence submitted to the Committee. It is not very extensive; only four witnesses were called.

Mr. Piddell stated that in 1859 there were 134 settlers who agreed to take up land in Chemunus, but only 84 persons could be supplied, as there was not enough land. The 84 surveyed the land at their own expense. No lot being larger than 200 acres. Some 20 or 30 proceeded to Chemunus to settle; but were prevented by the Indians. They waited for the Government to give them quiet possession; but it had never yet done so.

Mr. Copland said that 29 settlers went to Salt Spring Island in July 1859. An agreement had been made and filed in the Land Office; but the Surveyor General's notice lately issued had left out Mr. Linauer. The notice was at variance with the agreement. Several aliens who took up land under the agreement are prevented from holding by the pre-emption proclamation. The land system offered no facilities to immigrants.

Mr. Stenhouse confirmed Mr. Copland's testimony. There were only four pre-emptors under the agreement in '59, improved. He had applied to the Surveyor General to get possession of his claim, but was referred to Mr. Cary. In April last Mr. Tiedeman, Assistant Surveyor, refused to give him a receipt. He afterwards offered to return registration fee. He registered 150 acres. A question arose as to my claim in '59, and I was referred to Mr. Cary.

Surveyor General was examined. There were 1,000 acres sold in Highland district, and from 10,000 to 12,000 unsold. In eight districts all sold without setting upon. In Cowichan one-quarter of the land surveyed is sold; none occupied. The Indians remove the Surveyor's posts to hold the land till they are paid for it. The settlement of Salt Spring Island titles rests with the Surveyor General, and Chemunus with the Attorney General. During the absence of the Surveyor General great confusion occurred in the Land Office. The Land Office had nothing to do with Chemunus. Salt Spring Island titles are not settled yet. In Cowichan there are reserves of 5,000 acres for general purposes. No special reserves for schools. The road to Cowichan by Langford's Lake or Saanich Arm would pass over 15 miles of mountains and impracticable country. A cattle road ought to be opened there.

Arrival of the Henrietta.

The steamer Henrietta, Capt. Insley, arrived from Port Douglas via New Westminster at two o'clock yesterday morning, bringing a few passengers, a small amount of gold dust, and twenty tons of ice put up by Mr. Duncan Robertson of Port Douglas.

Through the politeness of Mr. Robertson, we have been placed in possession of the following items of interest:

SINGULAR ROBBERY.—On Friday morning of last week an Italian storekeeper at Lillooet fell sick and a stranger from Cariboo, pretending to be a physician, undertook to prescribe. He laid the sick man on his back on a bed up stairs, and procuring a quantity of hops made a poultice and placed them on the patient's stomach. He charged him to be perfectly still for twenty-four hours, at the end of which time he would rise a new man. The quack then withdrew, and the sick man laid quiet until evening, when no signs of him being visible after repeated calling, he arose and on going down stairs was dumbfounded to find that his money drawer had been robbed of its contents—some \$174. Search was at once made for the "physician" and he was traced to Port Douglas on Sunday and arrested by Constable Flynn. The stolen money, and \$200 besides, was found on his person. He is set down for an old thief, and the clever manner in which he deceived his patient certainly stamps him as an adept.

The news from Cariboo continues of a very exciting character; big strikes being reported every day. Mr. Elwyn has written down that a large amount of gold dust is at Quesnelle City awaiting the arrival of the Gold Escort to send it below.

It is the opinion of parties who have just returned to Douglas from Cariboo, that many miners will come down rich in the fall, while others will be "flat broke." Many of the latter class have rich claims but gamble their money away as soon as taken out.

Seventy-five tons of goods are sent from Douglas to Lillooet weekly; business is brisk and workingmen in demand.

At New Westminster matters are quiet, and mosquitoes scarce. At the mouth of Harrison River the pests are decreasing in number.

LAND OFFICE CLOSED.—In consequence of the discussion, on Tuesday, in the Assembly about money for assistance in the Land Office, that department was closed yesterday; and on the door was found the following—

NOTICE.
J. D. Pemberton and H. Tiedeman are absent on a survey. The office will be open again on Saturday next.

It is satisfactory to know that the institution will be opened again; yet we believe it would have been a little more convenient to the public had the notice of the closing been made public through the newspapers.

NEW STEAMERS.—The hull of the steamer Cariboo will be thoroughly repaired, we learn, at Laing's yard, and new and powerful engines obtained. She will ply, under another name, between this port and Hope and Douglas. The Hudson Bay Company are also considering a project of building a side-wheel steamer to be placed on the route from Victoria to New Westminster in place of the Otter. The boat, if built, will be one of the finest on the Pacific, and will cost from \$75,000 to \$90,000. The engines and other necessary apparatus will be brought from England.

ARREST.—A man named Stratton was yesterday arrested and confined in the debtor's prison, for want of proper security, under a writ of *ne exeat* or something like it. He is said to be suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism.

The Bogus Extra.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:—I see by this morning's Press that the editor calls upon some (to him) unknown parties to account for the Extra put in circulation on Saturday night last, and which he reproduced in his Sunday morning's issue. For the information of the Press I wish to state that I was the originator of the Extra, and paid for the printing of it. I wished to play a practical joke on a few friends, not supposing that any person with a grain of common sense, after perusing the whole of it, would believe that one single paragraph was true. I always gave—and still give—the editor of the journal alibi to credit for more sense than to suppose that he believed for a moment it was anything else than a bogus affair, gotten up for local amusement. He makes some hollow remarks about it; but as nobody has been injured by its circulation, I do not see as I have anything to be sorry for.

Hoping that you will make room for the above, I remain, respectfully, yours,
J. S. SHAPARD.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.—The Assembly yesterday passed in Committee of the Whole the Firemen's Protection Bill; which gives the department, through its Delegates, power to pass by-laws regulating that body. The power granted the firemen last year of electing their officers is renewed. All by-laws, before going into effect, must be signed by the Governor. The department is to be governed by a Chief Engineer, an Assistant Engineer, a President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The bill we look upon as a very wise and highly necessary one. Heretofore the Board of Delegates has only existed in the department by courtesy, or as a mere matter of form. The bill will probably go through the Council on Monday next, and become a law the day following.

THE CROPPED CONVICT.—Charles H. Brown, the convict who lost an ear on Tuesday while committing an assault on Jailer Wright, will be sent for trial to the Court of Sessions.

DECISION.—Chief Justice Cameron will give a decision in the case of the proposed removal of the old bridge this morning, at 10 o'clock.

AUCTION.—J. A. McCrea will sell at his salesrooms, on Wharf street, at 11 o'clock, A. M., a large assortment of liquors, groceries and provisions.

MAIL FOR SAN FRANCISCO.—A mail will be dispatched to San Francisco by H. M. ship *Hecate* early in the ensuing week.

The gunboat Grappler proceeded to Race Rocks yesterday with supplies for the lighthouse.

The sloop Wild Duck, with a few letters from the Sound, arrived yesterday morning.

At latest dates, H. M. ship *Tern* was at Panama.

HAS JEFF DAVIS A PIRATICAL CRAFT IN THE PACIFIC?—We take the following from the Honolulu (Sandwich Islands) *Commercial Advertiser* of the 4th of July:

Captain Nichols, of the clipper ship *Bald Eagle*, informs us that on the second day out from San Francisco, he raised a sail on his windward quarter. He kept on the same course till the vessel had approached near enough to show that she was a "long, low, suspicious-looking black craft," of a schooner rig. Capt. N. examined his chart, comparing the course of the schooner with the wind, and came to the conclusion that she was bound nowhere, but to speak his ship. By this time she had approached somewhat nearer, close enough to show that she was well manned and anything but a trader. Having a large amount of specie (\$530,000) on board, and suspecting all was not right, and that the schooner might be fitted out for privateering purposes, he changed his course, put his vessel in his best sailing trim, set every inch of canvas he could spread, and before midnight left the black craft nearly hull down astern, and in the morning nothing was seen of her. Capt. Nichols thinks there is no doubt that she was a pirate, but whether commissioned with one of Jeff Davis' letters of marque or not, makes no material difference. The *Bald Eagle* was armed with two ship's guns and plenty of small arms, and Capt. N. says he would not have feared meeting the schooner, unless she had guns of longer range, which was very probable. Vessels leaving San Francisco with coin, should give these pirates a wide berth. A war vessel should be stationed to cruise off the port of San Francisco in the track of outward-bound ships.

BONAPARTE FOR THE SOUTH.—The Paris correspondent of the N. Y. Times, in his letter of June 26th, says he has been informed that the agents of the Southern Confederacy in Paris have formally made a proposition in writing to young Captain Bonaparte, formerly of Baltimore, to accept the position of Military Dictator of the Southern Confederacy with a crown at his disposal whenever he may deem it necessary to assume the dignity. Fortunately for him, Captain Bonaparte (as well as his grandmother, Madame Patterson Bonaparte,) goes for the Union, and the Captain refused the unequal and unnatural proposition in the most decided way.

THE REVENUE CUTTER "JEFF DAVIS."—The following suggestion with regard to this vessel appears in the New York Herald of July 15th:

In your edition of Sunday I notice a list of vessels in the revenue service, among them the Jeff Davis, Puget Sound, 156 tons, 4 guns. I would suggest, through your valuable paper, that the name of this vessel be altered to Winfield Scott, as her present name is a disgrace to our Union, worse than Benedict Arnold of old.

Port Jefferson, July 16th, 1861. B. S.

MURDER IN THE MOUNTAINS.—We learn that two bodies, supposed to be father and son, have been found in a creek near Barlow's toll-gate on the immigrant road, east of the Cascades. The bodies appeared to have been dead about ten days. From appearances it is presumed that they were murdered, and then robbed. They were no doubt drovers returning to the valley from the mines, and the proceeds of their cattle were most likely the incentive to the murder.—*Pacific Advertiser.*

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WHEREAS I, JAMES DOUGLAS, Governor of the said Colony, am duly authorized in the premises.

Now therefore I, James Douglas, do hereby publish, declare and proclaim that

(Description of the Port of Alberni.)

I. The Port of Alberni shall include all the space of water at the head of Netiet or Barclay Sound, commencing at the entrance of the Inlet known as Alberni Canal, in latitude 48° 55' North, and extending to the head of ship navigation at the North end of said Canal, a distance of about nineteen nautical miles.

(Port of Alberni declared.)

II. That the aforesaid Port of Alberni is and shall be, until otherwise determined by proper authority, a Port of Entry and Clearance for Ships and Goods.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the said Colony, at Victoria, this nineteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the twenty-fifth year of Her Majesty's Reign, by me,

JAMES DOUGLAS.

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From the *Kilrush Advertiser*, June 2nd, 1860.

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